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1INTRODUCTION

The first approach to the epidural space was the caudal approach by Jean Athanase sicard and Fernand cathelin independently in the year 1901.

Later in 1921 Fidel pages who was honoured as The Father of Modern epidural anesthesia described the inter spinous approach to the epidural space who identified it by tactile technique.

Ten years later in 1931, Achille M. Dogliotti of Turin identified the epidural space by loss of resistance technique.

The Famous Needle Tuohy was introduced by Edward Tuohy in 1945.

Later in 1949 Martinez curbelo of Havana used Tuohy needle and urethral catheter to perform the first continuous epidural anaesthesia.

But the PVC catheter with closed tip was introduced in 1962 which made the continuous epidural block and anesthesia easier.

The epidural blockade³ is a type of segmental blockade where only the desired segments are blocked which differentiate it from spinal anesthesia and also the analgesia can be extended in the post operative period through the continuous catheters.

In the epidural space local anesthetics are always combined with adjuvants²⁷ like adrenaline, opioids, $\alpha 2$ agonists, neostigmine, magnesium sulphate, ketamine etc., to shorten the onset of action and to prolong the duration of analgesia in the post operative period.

Ketamine³⁵ has been added as an adjuvant in neuraxial blockade. It has both analgesic and sedative properties. It is a potent N – methyl D – Aspartate receptor antagonist which inhibits central sensitization due to peripheral nociception, thus potentiate the analgesic effects of morphine when administered with it.

Keeping this properties and interactions in mind we conducted a prospective randomized double blinded study to evaluate the efficacy and safety of epidural bupivacaine, morphine with ketamine versus epidural bupivacaine with morphine alone for post operative analgesia after major abdominal surgeries.

ANATOMY OF THE VERTEBRAL COLUMN WITH SPINAL CORD

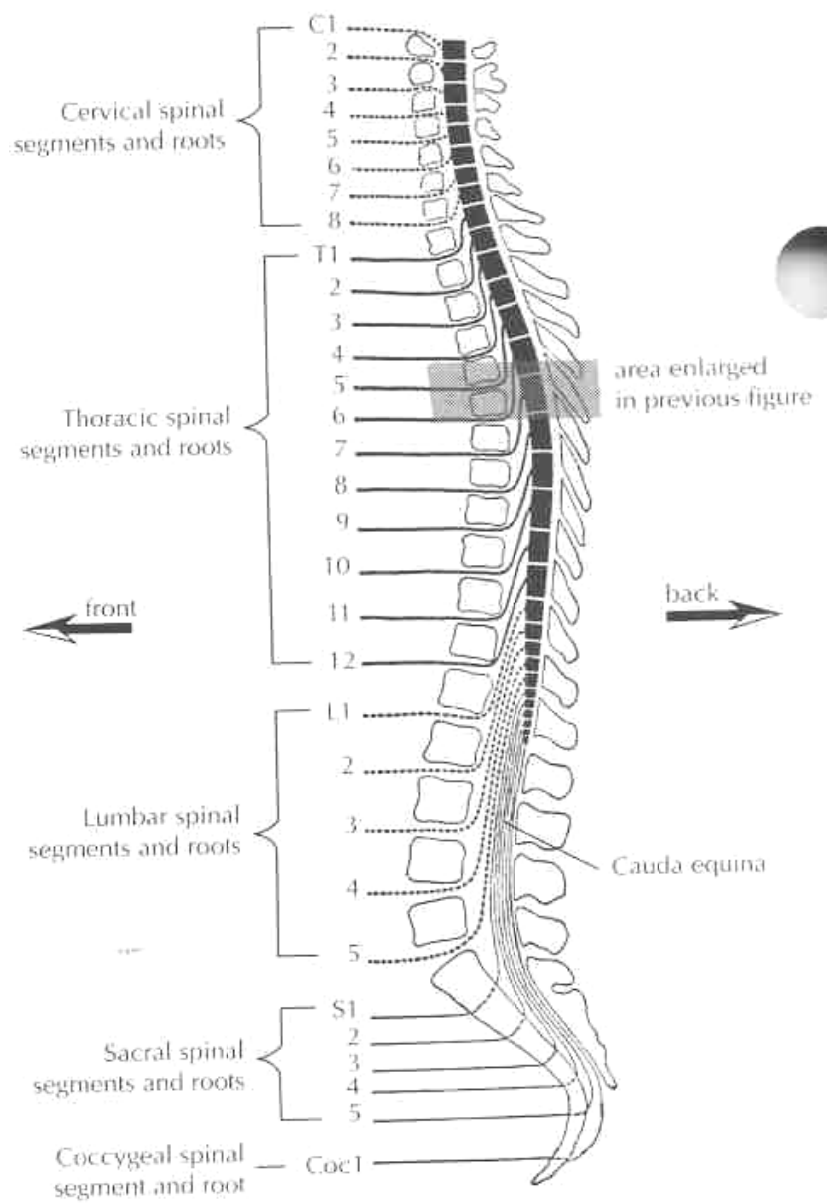


Fig. 1

ANATOMY OF EPIDURAL SPACE

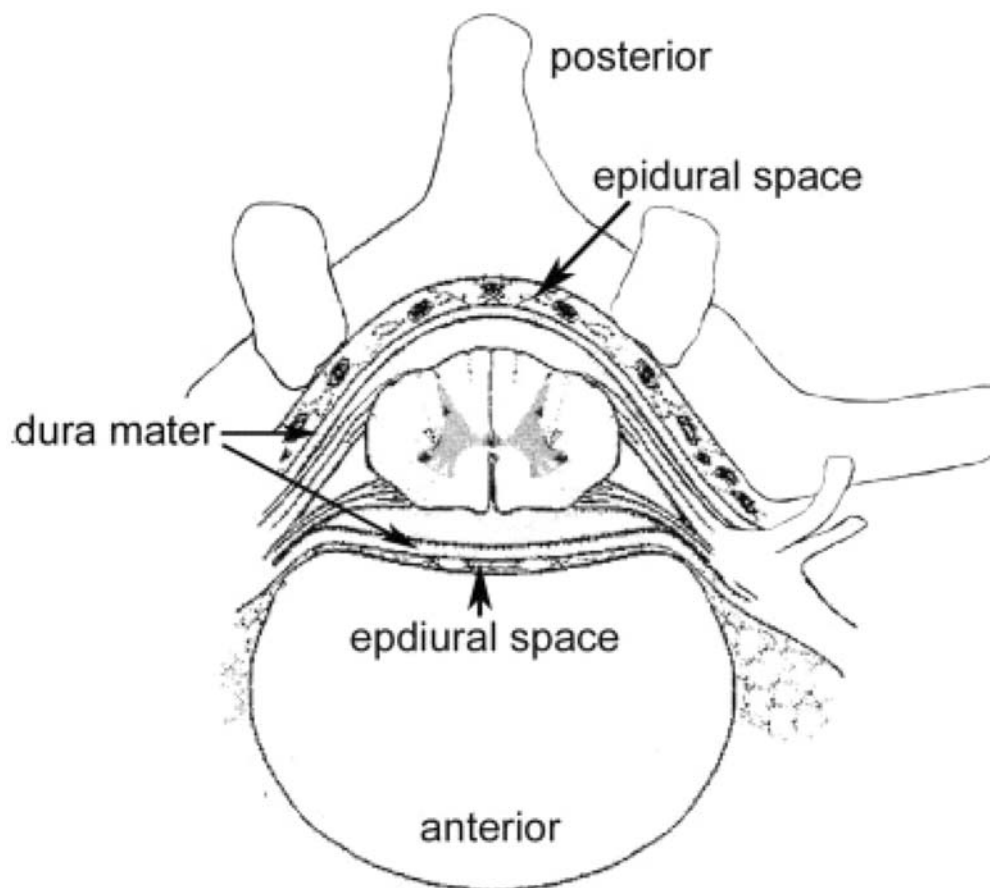


Fig. 2

There are 7 cervical, 12 thoracic, 5 lumbar, 5 sacral and 4 coccygeal vertebrae that form the vertebral column. The spinal canal is formed by the adjacent vertebral foramina. The canal provides support and protection to the spinal cord and its nerve roots. Normally the spinal cord extends from the foramen magnum to the L1/L2 vertebral level in adults & L3 level in children. There are eight cervical, 12

thoracic, 5 lumbar and 5 sacral and 1 coccygeal pair of spinal nerves. The spinal cord and its root are surrounded by three layers of membrane, inner most is the pia mater. The second layer is the arachnoid mater and the space between the pia mater and arachnoid mater is the subarachnoid space filled with cerebrospinal fluid. The outermost layer is the dura mater and the space between the arachnoid and the dura mater is the subdural space and finally the space outside the dura mater is the extradural (or) epidural space. We have to pass through skin, subcutaneous tissue, supra spinous ligament, inter spinous and ligamentum flavum for performing an epidural block.

PICTURE OF EPIDURAL BLOCK:

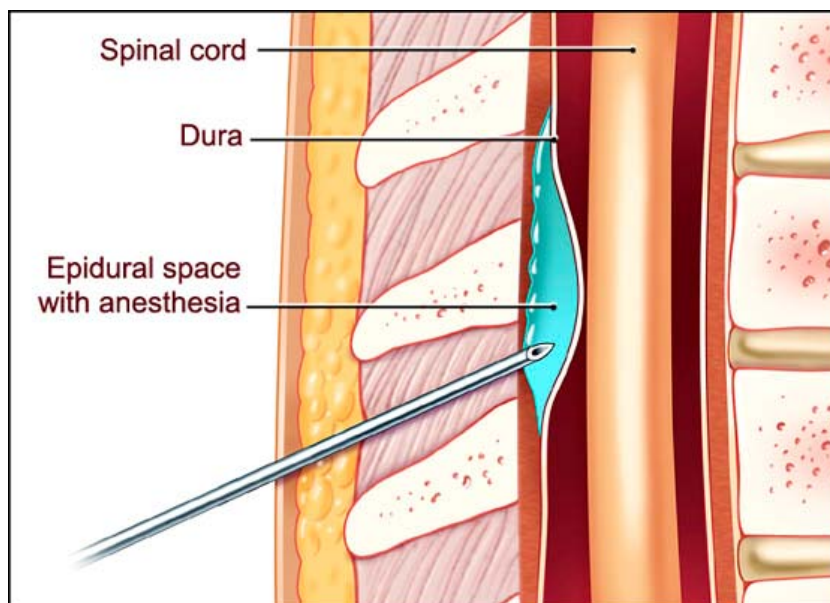


Fig. 3

ANATOMY OF EPIDURAL SPACE² :

It is a potential space which extends from the base of skull to the sacral hiatus and surrounds the duramater anteriorly, laterally and posteriorly. It has the following boundaries

- 1) ligamentum flavum posteriorly
- 2) Pedicles and
- 3) Intervertebral foramina laterally.

Epidural space is smaller than the sub arachnoid space.

CONTENTS OF THE EPIDURAL SPACE:

Fat, areolar tissue, lymphatics, veins and nerve roots are present in the epidural space, without any free fluid. The volume is more in obese people and less in elderly people, due to reduction in the epidural fat there by leading to reduction in dose requirements. Also in obese patients and pregnant females there is increased chance of catheter migration due to compression of Inferior vena cava and also due to continuation of Batson's plexus of veins with iliac veins in the pelvis and azygos veins of thorax and abdomen.

Usually, the distance of the epidural space from the skin is about 4.5-5cm in 75-80% of individuals and also varies at different vertebral levels.

Vertebrae	Distance from skin to ligament (cm)	Thickness of ligament (mm)
Cervical vertebrae	-	1.5-3.0
Thoracic vertebrae	-	3.0 – 5.0mm
Lumbar vertebrae	3.0 – 8.0	5.0 – 6.0 mm
Caudal	variable	2.0-6.0mm

EPIDURAL ANALGESIA

INDICATIONS

- 1) As an adjuvant to general anesthesia, and also it will reduce the opioid and other analgesic requirement in the intra operative period. Eg.
 - Gynaecological surgeries
 - Abdominal
 - Thoracic
 - Vascular surgeries
- 2) For analgesia alone (eg. Labour analgesia). It will not produce motor blockade, and it is not sufficient for performing surgery.
- 3) As a sole technique for surgical anesthesia eg. Lower segment caesarian sections, urological surgeries, Lower limb surgeries and lower abdominal surgeries
- 4) Management of chronic pain in terminally ill patients and treatment of back pain eg. Epidural steroid.
- 5) Post operative analgesia

After a surgery, it is used as a sole anaesthetic (or) used as

Combination with general anesthesia

And post operatively with the help of catheters, in the epidural space.

CONTRA INDICATIONS:

The absolute contra indications are

- patient refusal
- raised intra cranial tension
- infection at the site of injection
- hypovolemia & shock

The relative contra indicationss are

- Coagulopathy
- spine deformity
- neurological disorders.

Site effects

- Local anaesthetic toxicity and allergy
- Hypotension
- Inadvertent high blockade
- Epidural abscess, hematoma, meningitis

- Post dural puncture headache
- Anterior spinal artery syndrome
- Arachnoiditis
- transverse myelitis
- Catheter migration into the epidural vessels.

POST OPERATIVE PAIN³

It is worse and it has deleterious effect in almost all systems of the body

- 1) In the cardio vascular system the pain causes increase in heart rate, blood pressure, increase in systemic vascular resistance and cardiac work. This may precipitate angina and myocardial infarction in susceptible individuals.
- 2) In the Respiratory system, hypoxia, hypercarbia, atelectasis, decreased vital capacity and cough to clear the secretions resulting in ventilation perfusion mismatch and other complications.
- 3) In the gastro intestinal system, vomiting and ileus will occur.

- 4) In the renal system, urinary retention and decreased urine output will occur.
- 5) There will be increased risk of thromboembolism due to pain and limited mobility.
- 6) In the endocrine system, there will be sympathetic stimulation, hyper metabolism and increased oxygen consumption.
- 7) And finally in the central nervous system anxiety, fear and fatigue will occur.

THE ADVANTAGES OF POST OPERATIVE EPIDURAL ANALGESIA:

The reduction in vital capacity in upper abdominal surgeries are around 75% whereas in lower abdominal surgeries it is around 50 – 55%. So thoracic epidural analgesia provides effective pain relief thereby improving vital capacity and other pulmonary functions .

In the cardiovascular system it will reduce blood loss, transfusion requirements, reduce the incidence of angina, myocardial infarction and deep vein thrombosis.

In the endocrine system reduction in the level of catecholamines and overall reduction in morbidity, mortality and duration of hospital stay.

VARIOUS PHYSIOLOGICAL EFFECTS OF EPIDURAL BLOCKADE⁴:

The site of action of local anesthetic in the epidural space is the spinal nerve roots.

The segmental nerve roots in the thoracic and lumbar regions are mixed nerves containing somatic sensory, motor and autonomic nerve fibres.

Sensory blockade interrupts the transmission of both somatic and visceral painful stimuli whereas motor blockade provides muscle relaxation with varying degrees of sympathetic blockade.

The injection site for epidural anaesthesia should be close to the target nerve roots to obtain better results.

The important concept for epidural anesthesia is a differential nerve block. It means the nerve fibres with variable function demonstrate a varying sensitivity to the effects of local anesthetics.

The order of blockade in epidural anesthesia are sympathetic blockade, then pain temperature, proprioception followed by motor blockade .

Usually following an epidural block, the sympathetic blockade particularly temperature vary from 1-4 segments higher than the motor blockade, where as regression of level occurs in reverse order.

Effects in the CVS:

The effect depends on the level of blockade. Vasomotor tone is maintained by T5 – L1 sympathetic fibers which innervate vascular smooth muscles.

When there fibres are blocked, arterial and veno dilatation with pooling and decreased systemic vascular resistance will occur.

Effects in the respiratory system:

It has minimal effect in patients with adequate lung function.

All lung volumes like tidal volume, vital capacity and minute ventilation and dead space are unchanged.

There will be no alteration in pulmonary function, even with high thoracic blockade.

Even in intercostal paralysis by a high thoracic block major alteration is not seen.

Effects in the gastro intestinal system:

Due to blockade of sympathetic fibres from T5 – L1 there will be an unopposed vagal action lead to increase in peristalsis and a small contracted gut.

Renal system:

Epidural anesthesia has little effect on renal function due to autoregulation of renal blood flow, though urinary retention is common.

Mechanism of Action of local anaesthetics in the epidural space:

In the epidural space local anesthetics bind to sodium channels, in the inactivated state preventing further activation of the channel and development of action potential. They block the sodium and potassium ion channels in the dorsal horn and they inhibit the generation and propagation of pain signals and produce similar action in the ventral horn also. In the spinal cord, calcium channels are blocked producing resistance to stimuli from nociceptive afferent neurons and thereby producing analgesia. Also the local anaesthetics inhibit the release of

substance P and other neuro transmitters like glutamate, calcitonin gene related peptide (CGRP) neurokinin I& II) in the epidural space and therefore inhibit pain signal transmission.

FACTORS AFFECTING THE ACTION OF LOCAL ANESTHETICS IN THE EPIDURAL SPACE:

Site of injection:

There is equal spread of local anaesthetics in the thoracic epidural space and cranial (or) cephalad spread in lumbar epidural space.

- 1) **Volume:** 1- 5 – 2ml per segment for lumbar segment and 1- 1.5ml per segment for thoracic segments.

Age:

In old age the inter spinous spaces become narrowed due to calcification of ligaments lead to reduced dose requirements.

Weight:

Obese individuals and pregnant females require less volume because of space narrowing and venous engorgement.

Height:

Shorter individuals require lesser volume.

Alkalinisation of local anesthetics

Alkalinisation (high PH) potentiates the onset of action.

Posture has little effect.**Adjutvants**

Addition of adjuvants enhance the quality of blockade eg) opioids, alpha2 agonist, ketamine etc.

Common techniques of epidural block

Usually in sitting or lateral decubitus position, through midline (or) paramedian approach.

Needle

18 (or) 16 G 9cm Tuohy's needle and tip is called on Hueber tip which has 15 – 20 degree angulations to guide the catheter.

LOSS OF RESISTANCE TECHNIQUE

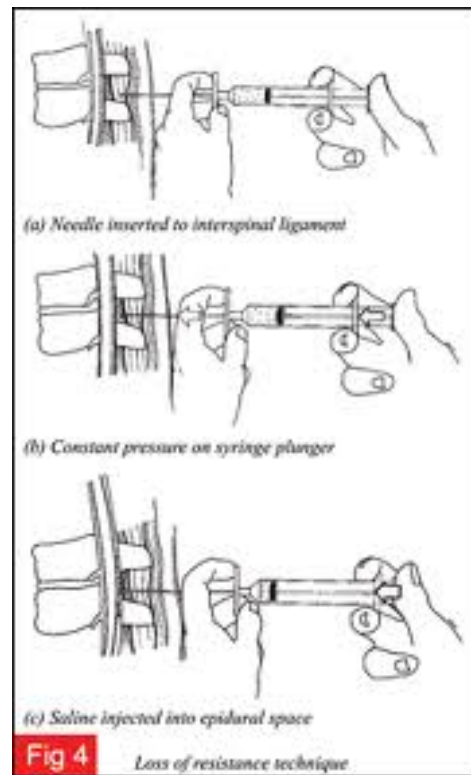


Fig. 4

EPIDURAL CATHETER



TUOHY 'S NEEDLE

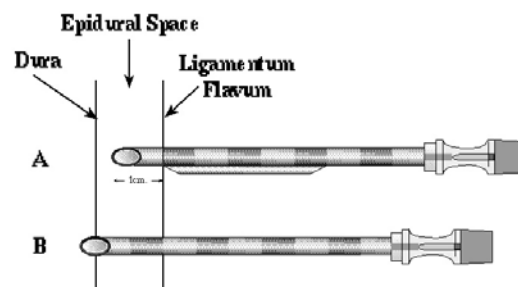


Fig. 5

HUEBER TIP



Fig. 6

Various methods of identifying epidural space:

- Loss of resistance technique. It is the most commonly used method. LOR with air (or) saline and the test is called as whoosh test, but there is risk of air embolism in children.
- Hanging drop method
- Recently a pressure transducer used saline filled sterile tubing is connected to the epidural needle, and if the needle tip enters into the space, the pressure will drop suddenly. This is useful in obese

patients and identifying epidural space in the cervical region. This is called as epidural space identifier.

- Modified drip method (1991)
- Macintosh epidural balloon (2008)
- Epidural (it is an optimal pressure loss of resistance device) (2011)
- Finally neuraxial ultrasonography recently developed for identification of epidural space (2010). and
- Epiduroscopy.

EPIDUROSCOPY

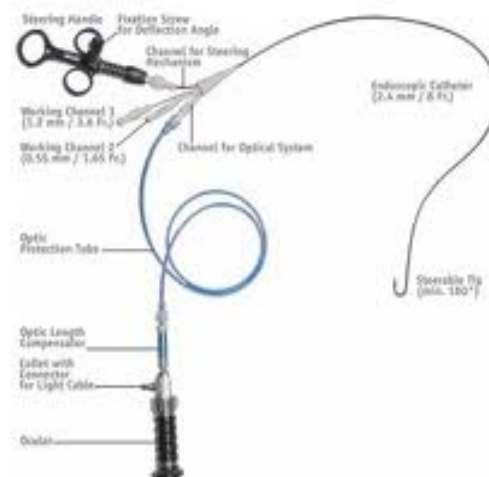


Fig. 7

PHARMACOLOGY OF BUPIVACAINE

Bupivacaine⁶ is an amide local anaesthetic formed by addition of butyl group to the piperidine nitrogen of mepivacaine.

It contains equal proportions of 'S' & 'R' enantiomers and a racemic mixture is obtained.

Chemical Structure

±I butyl N- (2, 6 dimethyl phenyl) -2-piperidine

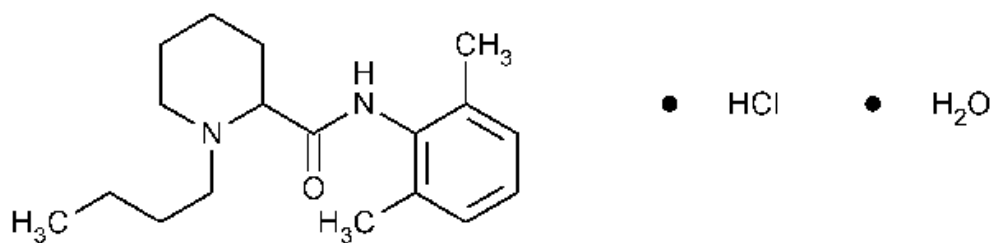


Fig. 8

Dacar boxamide hydrochloride monohydrate

Physico chemical Profile

Molecular weight	-	288.
PKa	-	8.1.
Plasma protein binding	-	95%.
Lipid solubility	-	28.
VD	-	71hrs.

Clearance	-	0.472/min
Onset	-	Slow
Duration	-	240 – 480 min
Potency	-	4
Toxic plasma concentration	-	240 -480min
Elimination HL	-	210min

Mechanism of action:

They produce conduction blockade by selectively binding to alpha subunit of sodium channel, in an activated closed state, and prevent their change to rested closed and activated open state thereby preventing conduction of impulses and action potential.

In addition to sodium channels bupivacaine blocks voltage dependent potassium channels and this leads to broadening of action potential.

Bupivacaine also blocks the L type calcium channels.

In addition bupivacaine blocks both types of pain fibres myelinated A –delta and C fibres. Preganglionic-B fibres are readily blocked by local anaesthetics.

Pharmacodynamics

Bupivacaine has a stabilizing action on all excitable membranes. So in the cardiovascular system it causes a reduction in automaticity and in the nervous system restlessness, tremors and convulsions occur on over dosage. It is more potent than lignocaine, the sensory blockade is more than the motor blockade.

Pharmacokinetics

Bupivacaine is a weak base that has a PKa value above the physiological PH and therefore only a small fraction of the drug is in ionized form.

Rapidly absorbed from the site of injection, dose and addition of adjuvants and the plasma concentration depend on the route of administration (5 -30min), distribution and rate of clearance.

The lungs are capable of extracting bupivacaine from the systemic circulation and its first pass pulmonary extraction is dose dependent.

Metabolism:

Bupivacaine binds to the plasma protein alpha-1-acid glycoprotein.

It undergoes aromatic hydroxylation, N dealkylation, amide hydrolysis & conjugation. The nes methyl bupivaccine is measured in the blood and urine after epidural administration. Renal diseases will not affect the kinetics of bupivaccine and only < 10 -15% of the drug is excreted unchanged in urine.

Uses of bupivacaine

- For central neuraxial block (Spinal epidural and caudal)
- Peripheral nerve block
- Infiltration anaesthesia

Preparations available

0.25%, 0.5% in vials (10ml) (o to 20ml) 5mg/ml + dextrose in 4 ml ampoules,

Maximum permitted dose 3mg/ml for	Con 0.25 - 0.5%
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Maximum 150mg	for	0.75%-
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Maximum 20 mg	for	0.5%
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Side effects are

- allergy
- pruritus
- urticaria
- angioneurotic edema
- accidental intra vascular injection.
- CNS toxicity:
 - tinnitus
 - vertigo
 - drowsiness
 - muscle twitches,
 - slurred speech,
 - seizures
 - coma .
- Cardiac toxicity:
 - Hypotension
 - Arrhythmia
 - Atrio ventricular block
 - Ventricular tachy cardia
 - Ventricular fibrillation
- hepatotoxicity

PHARMACOLOGY OF MORPHINE⁶

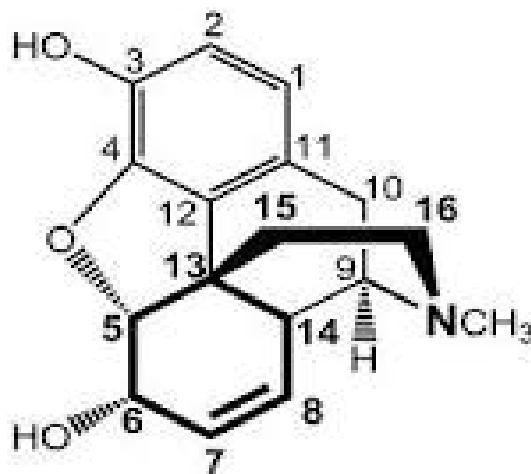


Fig. 9

It is the naturally occurring phenanthrene opioid alkaloid. It is an μ_1 , μ_2 & κ receptor agonist. These stereo specific opioid receptors are present in the presynaptic and post synaptic sites in the central nervous system, in the brain stem, spinal cord and other peripheral tissues.

Morphine is unique in producing analgesia without loss of touch, proprioception and unconsciousness.

Mechanism of action

Opioid receptor activation leads to decrease in neurotransmission i.e. Pre synaptic inhibition of neurotransmitters like

Acetylcholine, Nor epinephrine dopamine, substance P and also post synaptic inhibition of evoked potential increased Potassium conductance ie.hyperpolarisation and finally results in calcium channel inactivation.

Pharmacokinetics:

Absorption: Rapidly absorbed after im injection and peak plasma level is reached after 20 -60 min.

Distribution: Distribution half life is rapid (5 -20 min) it has low lipid solubility and slow passage across the blood brain barrier so its onset of action is slow and duration is prolonged. Its action is terminated by redistribution but large doses depend on bio transformation to lower their plasma levels.

Biotransformation: Morphine undergoes conjugation with glucuronic acid to form morphine -3- glucuronide (75 – 85%) and morphine- 6- glucuronide(5 -10%).

Excretion: The end products are excreted by kidneys and only <10% by biliary excretion. About 5 -10% of morphine is excreted unchanged in urine. Renal failure prolong the duration of morphine. The

accumulation of morphine metabolites like morphine-3-glucuronide and morphine-6 glucuronide in patients with renal failure will produce narcosis and respiratory depression but morphine -6- glucuronide is a potent opioid than morphine.

EFFECT ON ORGAN SYSTEMS:

Cardio vascular system

High doses are associated with vagally mediated bradycardia decrease in arterial blood pressure, vasodilation, decrease in sympathetic reflexes. Rarely it evoke histamine release. The combination of opioid with other vasodilators, Volatile, N2O, Benzodiazepines and barbiturates lead to significant myocardial depression.

Respiratory System :

It depress ventilation particularly respiratory rate. Rarely Paco₂ increased. The apnoeic threshold and highest paco₂ at which a patient remain apnoeic is elevated and hypoxic drive is decreased. Rarely histamine release lead to broncho constriction during airway instrumentation.

Central nervous system:

Decrease the cerebral O₂ consumption, cerebral blood flow and Increase the Intra cranial pressure → stimulation of medullary chemo receptor trigger zone is responsible for nausea and vomiting. Repeated opioid administration in higher doses is associated with dependence.

Gastro intestinal system:

Slows gastric emptying and peristalsis, causes contraction of sphincter of oddi produces biliary colic.

Endocrine system:

Stress hormones are decreased. So ischemic heart disease patients may benefit from attenuation of stress response.

Neuraxial Morphine;

Act through mu receptors in the substantia gelatinosa of the spinal cord. They are specific for visceral than somatic pain. Analgesia is due to the ascent of the drug across the dura to gain access to the mu receptor.

Pharmacokinetics:

Morphine in the epidural space may undergo uptake in epidural fat, systemic absorption (or) diffuse into the dura into the CSf. Peak effect of morphine after epidural administration is 10 – 15min and it depends on lipid solubility.

Side effects of neuraxial morphine:

- Pruritus
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Urinary retention and
- depression of ventilation.

Dose of Neuraxial morphine:

- Epidural single dose 1-5mg, continuous infusion 0.1 – 1 mg/hr
- Pre medication Im - 0.05 -0.2mg/kg
- Intra operative analgesia iv 0.1 – 1mg/kg
- Post operative Im - 0.05 – 0.2mg/kg
- Analgesia Iv- 0.05 – 0.15 mg/kg.

Clinical uses:

- Analgesia in sub anaesthetic doses
- for induction (iv) in higher doses
- neuraxial anaesthesia and analgesia.

PHARMACOLOGY OF KETAMINE⁶:

It is a N-METHYL –D –ASPARTATE receptor antagonist.

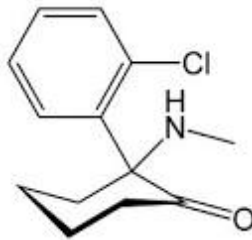
Structure of ketamine

Fig. 9

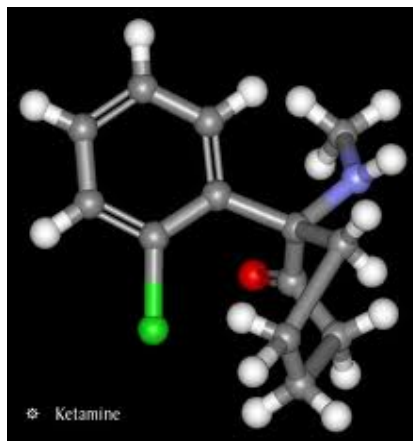
THREE DIMENTIONAL STRUCTURE OF KETAMINE:

Fig. 10

It is a phencyclidine derivative and it produces dissociative anesthesia. ketamine is water soluble and it produces profound analgesia in sub anaesthetic doses.

Structure:

The presence of asymmetrical carbon atom results in the existence of two optical isomers of ketamine.

The S (+) ketamine (lefthanded optical isomer) & R (+) Ketamine Right handed optical isomer. The S (+) ketamine produces more intense analgesia, more rapid metabolism, recovery, less salivation and less incidence of emergence reactions.

Mechanism of action:

Ketamine binds non competitively to the phencyclidine recognition site on NMDA receptors and inhibits activation of NMDA receptor by glutamate and decreases the pre synaptic release of glutamate which potentiates the effects of neurotransmitter gamma amino butyric acid. The interaction with phencyclidine is more with S (+) ketamine.

Pharmacokinetics:

It has rapid onset of action, shorter duration of action and high lipid solubility. pH 7.5 peak concentration 1min after intra venous injection and 45min after intra muscular injection. It has high blood solubility and rapidly transferred across the blood brain barrier. Ketamine induced increase in cerebral blood flow facilitates rapid achievement of high brain concentration and then it is redistributed from the brain to other highly perfused and less well perfused organs. It has a high hepatic extraction ratio, large volume of distribution and elimination half life of about 2-3 hrs.

Metabolism

Metabolized by hepatic microsomal enzymes i.e. Cytochrome p450 enzymes to form Norketamine. This nor ketamine contributes to prolonged effects of ketamine (analgesia). The Nor ketamine is hydroxylated, then conjugated to form water soluble, inactive glucuronide metabolite and excreted by the kidneys.

Neuraxial Ketamine:

Ketamine has been reported to interact opioid receptor. When we combine ketamine with opioid and local anaesthetics it will produce additive (or) synergistic effect.

Site effects:

In the central nervous system it increases cerebral blood flow and CMRO₂ and increase intra cranial pressure.

It produces emergence delirium due to depression of medial geniculate and inferior colliculus. In the cardio vascular system sympathetic stimulation lead to increase in heart rate and blood pressure. In the respiratory system it produces bronchodilatation and bronchorrhea but it has a protective effect against bronchospasm. Hepatic diseases have less effect on its metabolism. It inhibits platelet aggregation.

Doses:

For induction iv-1-2mg/kg, im 5-6mg/kg. epidural 0.12-0.5mg/kg maximum upto 1mg/kg.

REVIEW OF LITERATURE:

1. Mamta Sethi^{7,20} et al ,

Conducted a study to evaluate the effect of adding small dose ketamine for patient controlled epidural analgesia post operatively. The study group was about 100 patients posted for major upper abdominal surgery of age group 18 – 65yrs of ASA I & II PS were randomly allocated into two groups. After extubation the patient was shifted to PACU, where using ten point VAS score (Visual analgesia scale) pain intensity was assessed. If VAS >3 an initial dose of 0.125% of bupivacaine of 10ml was administered epidurally and then PECA pump was attached. Group I – received Bupivacaine 0.625% and morphine sulphate (preservation free 0.05 mg/ml Group II – Received Bupivacaine 0.625% and morphine (preservation free 0.5mg/ml) and ketamine hydrochloride (preservation free 10.2mg/ml). The mean morphine consumption in group I in the first and second post operative day was 8.38 ± 2.85 and 7.65 ± 1.95 mg in group II. Which was statistically significant ($P < 0.05$) and also pain relief after 6,12,24, and 48 hours (at rest and movement) was better in group II than group I ($p < 0.05$).

2. Wong CS⁹ et al,

Conducted a study to evaluate the analgesic efficacy of epidurally administrated ketamine and morphine in the post operative period. The study was done in 40 patients posted for major joint replacement surgery of ASA I & II. For primary anaesthetics epidural lignocaine was used. These 40 patients were divided with two groups.

Group A → Received 10 ml of saline

Group B → Received 10 mg ketamine

Group C → Received 2 mg morphine

Group D → Received 10mg ketamine plus 0.5mg morphine.

The intensity of pain, incidence of any side effects and number of intra muscular meperidine (1mg/ml) were recorded. The results were co administration of ketamine and morphine 0.5mg produced intense analgesia and conclusion was ketamine potentiates the analgesic effect of morphine especially when it is administered as a pretreatment and also it reduced the dose of morphine needed and reduced the incidence of side effects.

3. **Taylor Brandao schneider⁸ et al,**

They conducted a study to evaluate the effect of epidural ketamine, clonidine and dexmedetomidine in patients posted for upper abdominal surgery. The study was a Randomised double blind study, included 70 patients of ASA I, II physical status of age group 18 – 60 years, both gender, posted for sub costal chole cystectomy, under general anesthesia with lumbar epidural anesthesia. They were divided with 4 groups, where control group received 20ml of 0.75% ropivacaine and 1 ml of normal saline.(n= 10) .Ketamine group received 20 ml 0.75% ropivacaine and 0.5mg/kg ketamine (n=20) ,Clonidine group received 20ml of 0.75% ropivacaine and 1ml of clonidine(150micg) (n=20) and finally Dexmedetomidine group received 20ml of 0.75% bupivacaine and 2mg/ml dexmedetomidine (n=20). In all the groups anesthesia was induced with etomidate, alfentanil and rocuronium and maintained with sevoflurane and alfentanil. Analgesia was evaluated by clinical sings and inspired concentration of the inhaled anaesthetic agent by anaesthetic gas analysis during surgery. All the patient received ketamine clonidine and dexmedetomidine have had heart rate and systemic blood decrease and not required analgesics and the inspired concentration of isoflurance were 0.5 – 1%. Finally they concluded,

epidural ketamine, clonidine and dexmedetomidine when administered is the intra operative period, decreased alfentanil consumption and isoflurane inspired concentration.

4. Yoko Kawana¹⁰ et al,

They conducted a study in 60 patients undergoing abdominal gynaecological surgery. They were randomly divided into 6 groups,

- 1) Control group received saline
- 2) Ketamine 4mg
- 3) Ketamine 6mg in saline
- 4) Ketamine 8mg in saline
- 5) Ketamine 6mg in 10% glucose
- 6) Morphine 3mg,

In all the groups anesthesia was induced with thiopentone, nitrous oxide with O₂ and enflurane, the drugs were given epidurally in the post operative period . The results were the duration of analgesia in the ketamine group did not differ from that in the control group and difference in diluent had no effects. The patients in the morphine group needed no analgesia and pain relief was adequate where as patients in other 5 groups needed analgesia. The conclusion was ketamine alone was inadequate for pain relief after gynaecological surgeries.

5. Ching Yue Yang¹⁸ et al,

Conducted a study to evaluate the effect of ketamine on spinal morphine is terminal cancer pain. They conducted this study in 2 groups. In group I – intrathecal morphine alone given twice daily. In group II – intrathecal morphine and ketamine (10ml) twice daily and dose of morphine is titrated based on numeric rating scale for pain relief and rescue dose of morphine was less than (0-10) 5mg, after each intrathecal administration for two days. The results were effective intrathecal morphine was higher in morphine group (I) than Group II. The average pain scales reduced in group II than group I after the effective dose of morphine has reached. and finally the conclusion was that ketamine potentiates the analgesic effects of morphine there by reducing the dose of intrathecal morphine.

6. CT Wu²¹ et al,

Conducted a randomized single blinded study to evaluate the benefits of pre operative analgesia for upper abdominal surgery using preincisional epidural bupivacaine and morphine and ketamine for achieving post operative pain relief.

Study group was about 60 patients posted for upper abdominal surgery of ASA I & II were divided into 3 groups. Group I – received general anesthesia followed by epidural infusion of normal saline. Group II & III patients received general anesthesia with continuous epidural infusion of lignocaine 2%. Thirty minutes after infusion group I & II are gives ketamine 10mg + morphine epidurally. In group III ketamine and morphine and bupivacaine given 10 min after 2% lignocaine injection and 30 min before skin incision. All these patients received epidural pain control regimen for 3 days. During this period duration of analgesia (PCA)morphine consumption pain intensity at rest and movement adverse effects were recorded and finally the conclusion was pre incisional epidural ketamine, morphine and bupivacaine combined with continuous epidural anesthesia and general anesthesia gives better post operative pain relief than post incisional ketamine, morphine plus bupivacaine.

7. Aida Sumihisa¹² et al,

Conducted a randomized double blind study to evaluate the effect of pre emptive analgesia by intra venous low dose ketamine and epidural morphine in gastrectomy surgeries. Patients posted for gastrectomy were divided into 3 groups.

Group I- Received preemptive epidural morphine

Group II- Received preemptive IV ketamine

Group II- Received preemptive epidural morphine + pre emptive IV ketamine.

Post surgical pain relief, morphine consumption were recorded. The results were, pre emptive epidural morphine + IV ketamine provided intense analgesia and reduction in morphine consumption and reduced incidence of side effects ($p < 0.05$).

8. Manzo Suzuki¹³ et al,

Conducted a study to evaluate the effects of co administration of low dose ketamine (50 – 100micg/kg) enhance morphine (50micg/kg) induced analgesia after out patient surgery.

140 patients undergoing out patient surgery were selected and divided into 4 groups. In all the 4 groups injection midazolam 1-2mg was given and induced with propofol 2-2.5mg/kg and maintained with N2O- O2 mixture and desflurane .

- Group I - Received morphine 50 micg/kg with placebo.
- Group II- Received morphine 50micg/kg + ketamine 50micg/kg IV.
- Group III- Received morphine 50 micg/kg + ketamine 100micg/kg IV.

In all the 4 groups pain intensity was measured using VAS score, in the recovery room, then every 5 min until the time of discharge and morphine consumption were recorded. Finally the conclusion was small dose ketamine 75 – 100 micg/kg enhanced morphine induced analgesia after out patients surgery.

9. Subramaniyam^{14,22,23} et al,

They conducted a prospective randomized double blinded study to evaluate the efficacy of epidural ketamine plus morphine compared with epidural morphine alone for post operative pain relief after major upper abdominal surgery. In this study, the study population was divided into 2 groups.

- Group I - Received epidural morphine 50mg/kg
- Group II- Received epidural morphine 50 mg/kg + ketamine 1mg/kg post operatively. These patients were followed up for 48 hrs and results were recorded. The onset of analgesia was

shorter and duration was longer in group II than group I ($P < 0.05$) and mean morphine consumption in group II was also less than group I. and they concluded the addition of epidural ketamine 1mg/kg to epidural morphine 50micg/kg gave better analgesia after major upper abdominal surgery.

10. Lawretti¹⁵ GR et al,

Conducted a randomized double blind study to study the analgesic effects of low dose ketamine, neostigmine and midazolam to epidural morphine in terminal cancer pain patients. About 48 patients were divided into 4 groups. All the patients were receiving oral amitryptilline 50mg at bedtime. Pain was initially treated with epidural morphine 2mg B D to maintain VAS score below 4/10 and then if VAS $>$ (or)=4.

Just after epidural morphine control group received epidural morphine 2mg. ketamine group received 0.2mg/kg epidural ketamine in 2ml. Neostigmine group received 100micg epidural Neostigmine in 2ml. Midazolam group received 500micg epidural midazolam in 2micg.

The result were recorded the conclusion was addition of low dose epidural ketamine or epidural Neostigmine to epidural morphine increases the duration of analgesia and less side effects ($P < 0.05$).

11. H. Choe¹¹ et al ,

Conducted a study to evaluate the efficacy of preincisional epidural morphine and ketamine versus post incisional epidural morphine and ketamine in patients posted for upper abdominal surgery. In the pre incisional group epidural ketamine 60mg and morphine 2mg were given before induction of anesthesia. In the post incisional group epidural ketamine 60mg and morphine 2mg were given after removal of the surgical specimen. The results were recorded and the conclusion was preoperative administration of epidural morphine and ketamine provided more effective post operative pain relief than it was given during the intra operative period.

12. Elshobary HM¹⁶ et al,

Conducted a study to evaluate the usefulness of epidural ketamine in patients undergoing major abdominal surgery. Patients >65 years were divided into 2 groups. Group I received pre emptive epidural bupivacaine 0.125% (20ml) combined with epidural ketamine 40mg and post operatively a bolus of 0.125% Bupivacaine 5ml supplemented with 2mg/ml ketamine. Group II received pre emptive epidural bupivacaine 0.125% (20ml) combined with epidural morphine 2mg and post

operatively a bolus of 0.125% Bupivacaine 5ml supplemented with morphine 0.1mg/ml until a pain score of 2 was achieved. The analgesia, sedation and side effects were recorded. The conclusion was patients in ketamine group were associated with less side effects and sedation, required more frequent and continuous analgesia ($p < 0.05$). Patients in morphine group required less analgesics and experienced more side effects.

13. Ravat¹⁷ et al,

Conducted a study in 20 patients undergoing orthopaedic or lower abdominal surgery. They were divided into 2 groups and they were trained in assessing post operative pain score. For group I- 0.05 – 0.1 mg/kg morphine was given epidurally. For group II 4 -6 mcg/kg ketamine was given epidurally. Pain scores RR, BP & side effects were recorded. They concluded that there was no improvement in pain scores in patients with ketamine group and complete failure of ketamine to produce analgesia in group II than group I (morphine).

14. YY Chia^{19,20} et al,

Conducted a double blinded study to evaluate the effect of adding small dose ketamine in a patient control regimen. The study group (91

patients for major surgery) were divided into 2 groups. For group I post operatively with PCEA device morphine 0.02mg/kg, bupivacaine 0.8mg/ml, ketamine 0.4mg/ml and epinephrine 4micg/ml were given. For group II post operatively with PCEA device morphine 0.02mg/kg, Bupivacaine 0.8mg/ml and epinephrine 4micg/ml were given. The result were recorded. In group I there was better pain relief and reduction in morphine consumption and less side effects than group II. The conclusion was addition of small dose ketamine to morphine gave better post operative analgesia.

15. Mohammed Naguib^{25,26} et al,

Conducted a study to evaluate the effect of intra muscular versus epidural ketamine in patients (34) posted for gall bladder surgery for post operative pain relief. Group I received 30mg im ketamine group II received 10mg ketamine in 10ml saline epidurally. Group III received 30 mg ketamine in 10ml saline epidurally. The patients were followed up for 24 hrs, and ketamine was given on patient's request. The result were recorded and the conclusion was 30mg epidural ketamine provided better post operative analgesia.

16. M lak et al

Conducted a double blinded randomized study in 50 kidney donors receiving morphine as analgesics were selected and divided into two groups. One group received ketamine, And the other group received saline. Post operative pain was assessed by measuring morphine consumption and pain scores for 48 hrs after surgery.

Result: Pain intensity and morphine consumption were less in the ketamine group.

Conclusion: Post operative analgesia was better with ketamine and a significant decrease in morphine consumption.

17. Arati²⁴ et al,

Studied the effect of adding epidural morphine with two different doses of ketamine for post operative analgesia after abdominal hysterectomy.

It was a randomized double blinded study. Adequate pain relief and early mobilization in the post operative period were assessed. Finally the authors concluded that the synerstic effect of combining morphine 30mic/kg with ketamine 0.2mg/kg epidurally provided good analgesia and early mobilization with lesser side effects.

AIM OF THE STUDY

Comparative evaluation of the safety and efficacy of epidural bupivacaine with morphine and ketamine VS epidural bupivacaine with morphine alone for post operative analgesia after major abdominal surgeries.

MATERIALS AND METHODS:

After approval of the study by our institutional ethical committee ,the study was conducted in 60 patients of ASA1&2 undergoing elective abdominal surgeries.

Materials:

- Largygoscopes with blades of various sizes, bougie, oropharyngeal airway.
- Drugs - thiopentone, fentanyl, atracurium, glycopyrrolate, neostigmine, xylocard, succinylcholine and all emergency drugs, Injection bupivacaine, morphine, preservative free ketamine.
- Monitors – NIBP. ECG, Spo2
- Syringes 5ml, 10, 20ml.
- 18G intravenous cannula.
- Appropriate size endotracheal tubes.
- Epidural catheter, Tuohy's needle.

Inclusion criteria:

- Age:18-65 yrs.
- ASA:1 & 11.
- Surgery:Eledctive abdominal surgery.
- Who have given valid informed consent .

Exclusion criteria:

- Not satisfying inclusion criteria.
- Patient posted for emergency surgery.
- Contraindication for regional blockade.
- Known sensitivity to the drugs.
- Pregnant females.
- History of opoid addiction.
- History of psychologi9cal disorder.
- ASA >2.

The patients who fulfilled the above explained criteria were taken into the study after obtaining informed consent from them.

PRE OPERATIVE ASSESSMENT AND RECORDING OF VITALS:

The age, weight, height and vital parameters like pulse rate, blood pressure and baseline investigations like haemoglobin, blood sugar, urea, creatinine, chest x-ray, ECG were checked. Thorough examination of all the systems and airway assessment were done.

Methods:

60 patients of age group 18 to 65 years of ASA physical status 1 & 2 posted for major abdominal surgeries are selected and randomly allocated into 2 groups. Patients were shifted inside the operating room. Monitors were connected. The base line blood pressure, heart rate and oxygen saturation were recorded. Under strict aseptic precautions , Prior to induction of anaesthesia epidural catheter was placed in T8-t10 intervertebral space using Tuohy's, needle with loss of resistance technique and the test dose of 3ml of 1.5% lignocaine was given through the epidural catheter. In both the groups anaesthesia was induced with thiopentone 5mg /kg and fentanyl 2 mic/kg, intubated with atracurium 0.5 mg/kg and anaesthesia was maintained with atracurium 0.1mg/kg and Volatile Nitrous Oxygen mixture. Intra operative

analgesia was maintained with intermittent doses of fentanyl. After end of procedure reversal of residual neuromuscular blockade with neostigmine 50mic/kg and glycopyrrolate 10 mic/kg, then the patient was shifted to PACU .(post anaesthesia care unit)

Monitoring in the PACU:

In the PACU the patient was assessed for pain intensity using the 10 point vas score.

Visual analogue scale[VAS] was explained to patients. The patients were shown a 10 cm long scale marked 0-10cm on a blank paper and told them 0 represented NO PAIN and 10 represented WORST POSSIBLE PAIN .

VAS SCORE:

0-DOES NOT HURT

2-HURTS JUST A LITTLE BIT

4-HURTS A LITTLE MORE

6-HURTS EVEN MORE

8-HURTS A LOT

10-HURTS AS MUCH AS U CAN IMAGINE

IF the VAS score was more than 2 epidural was activated. The total volume was 12-14 ml in both the groups.

Group p-1 0.125% bupivaccaine with morphine 0.05- 0.1 mg/kg with max dose 5mg and ketamine 0.2-0.5mg/kg with maximum dose of 1mg/kg. Group-2 0.25% bupivaccaine with morphine 0.05-1mg/kg with maximum dose of 5mg. In both groups the following parameters recorded.

1. Onset of analgesia
2. Duration of analgesia
3. VASscore
4. Sedation score.

Monitoring of vitals:

Heart rate, systolic blood pressure, diastolic blood pressure and mean blood pressures at 0 min, 15 min, 30 min, 1hr, 2hr, 4hr, 6hr, 8hr, 12hr, 16hr, 20 and 24hr intervals.

Rescue analgesic requirements were recorded for 24 hrs.

Recording of adverse events:

The adverse effects like pruritus, respiratory depression, nausea, vomiting, hallucinations and delirium were recorded.

Primary outcome measures:

- Onset of analgesia.
- Duration of analgesia.
- Pain at rest and movement at 0, 15 min, 30 min, 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 12, 16, 20, 24 hrs.
- VAS score, sedation score. (Ramsay sedation score) 1. patient anxious, agitated and restless. 2. cooperative, oriented and tranquil. 3. responds to commands. 4. exhibits brisk response to light glabellar tap or loud auditory stimulus. 5. exhibits a sluggish response to light glabellar tap or loud auditory stimulus. 6. exhibit no response.
- Rescue analgesic requirement

Secondary outcome measures:

- Heart rate.
- Systolic blood pressure
- Diastolic blood pressure
- Mean arterial pressure.

In both the groups the onset of analgesia, the duration of analgesia using VAS score, systolic, diastolic and mean blood pressures, heart rate, rescue analgesic requirements, incidence of complications were recorded for 24 hrs.

One or two patients had vomiting, were managed with Inj. ondansetron 8mg intravenously. One or two patients had hypotension, [fall in systolic blood pressure more than 30% from base line were managed with iv fluids and incremental doses of Inj. ephedrine 6 mg iv. None of the patients experienced hallucinations or delirium.

OBSERVATION AND RESULTS:

Statistical analysis was done using Statistical package for social sciences (SPSS) windows version 15. The results were expressed here as mean and standard deviation. All qualitative variants were compared using chi square test and quantitative variants using student "t" test. A p value of < 0.05 was considered as significant.

Demographic data:

The two groups were comparable with respect to age, weight, sex and ASA physical status as in tables 1-4. There was no statistically significant difference among two groups in demographic profile.

Table-1
Sex distribution of the Sample

Sex	Group-I N=30		Group-II N=30		P value
	N	%	N	%	1.00
Male	14	46.67	14	46.67	
Female	16	53.33	16	53.33	

Of the 60 patients 30 were males and 30 were females. The distribution was similar in both group of patients.

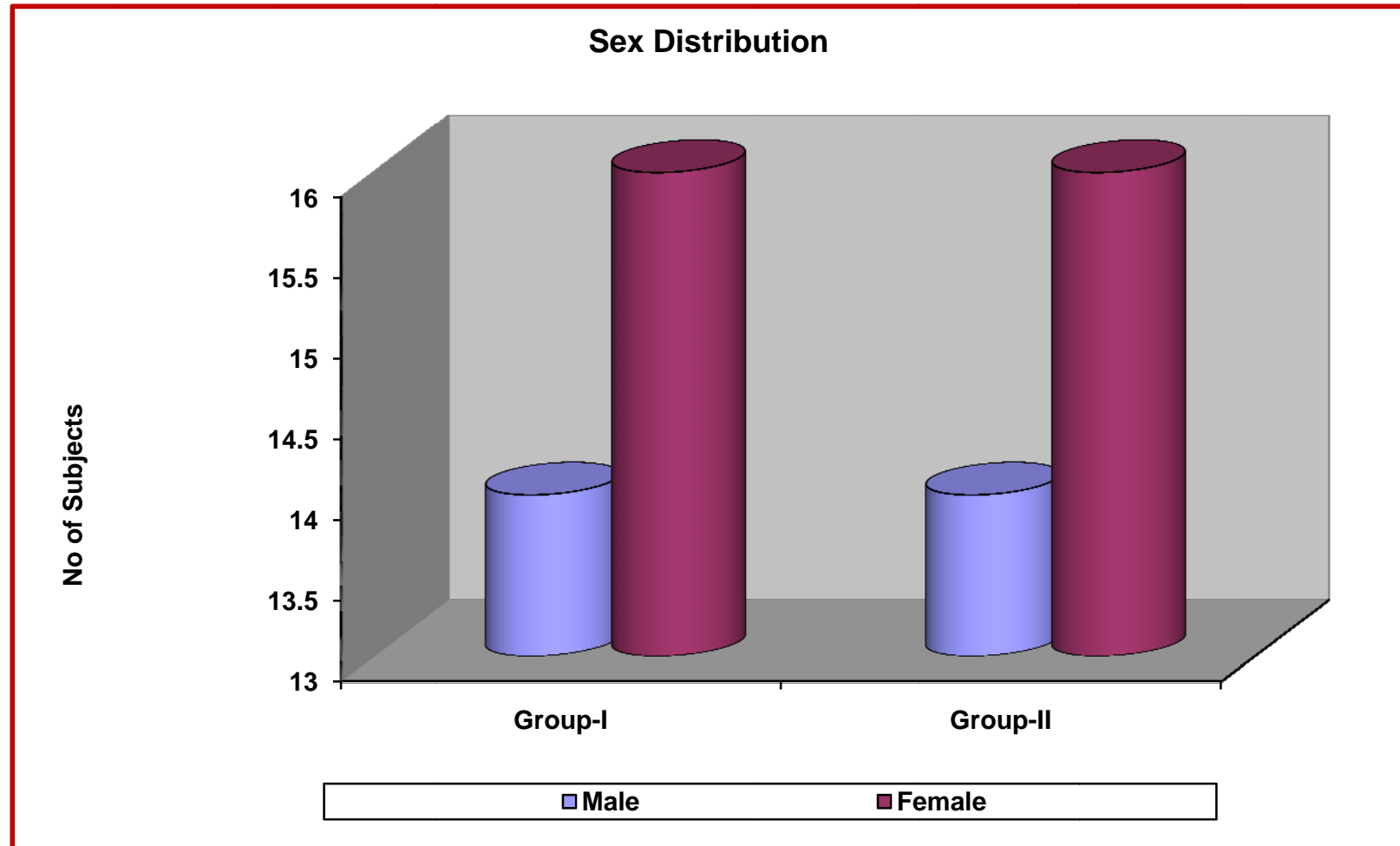


Table-2
Age Distribution

Age group	Group-I		Group-II	
	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
20 - 30	1	3.33	6	20.00
30 - 40	8	26.70	9	30.00
40 - 50	11	36.70	8	26.70
50 - 60	7	23.30	7	23.30
60 – 70	3	10.00	0	0
Mean ± sd	46.33 ± 10.20		41.70 ± 10.81	
p-value	0.09 (Not Significant)			

The age distribution between the two groups were comparable.

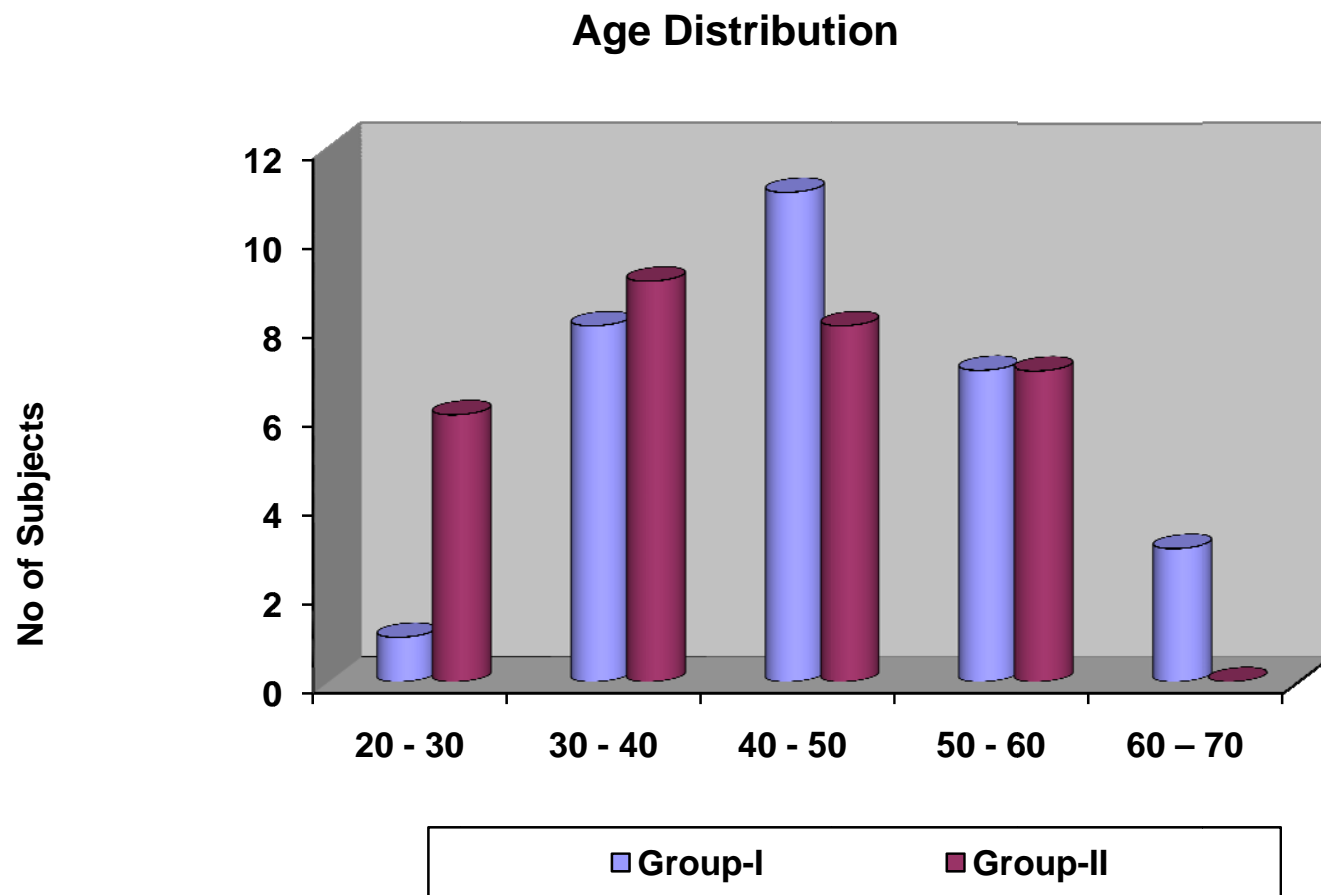


Table-3
Weight Distribution

Weight	Group-I		Group-II	
	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
40 - 50	2	6.70	2	6.70
50 - 60	25	83.30	20	66.70
60 – 70	3	10.00	6	20.00
70 – 80	0	0	2	6.70
Mean ± sd	57.23 ± 3.93		58.60 ± 6.49	
p-value	0.33 (Not Significant)			

The weight distribution between the two groups was also comparable.

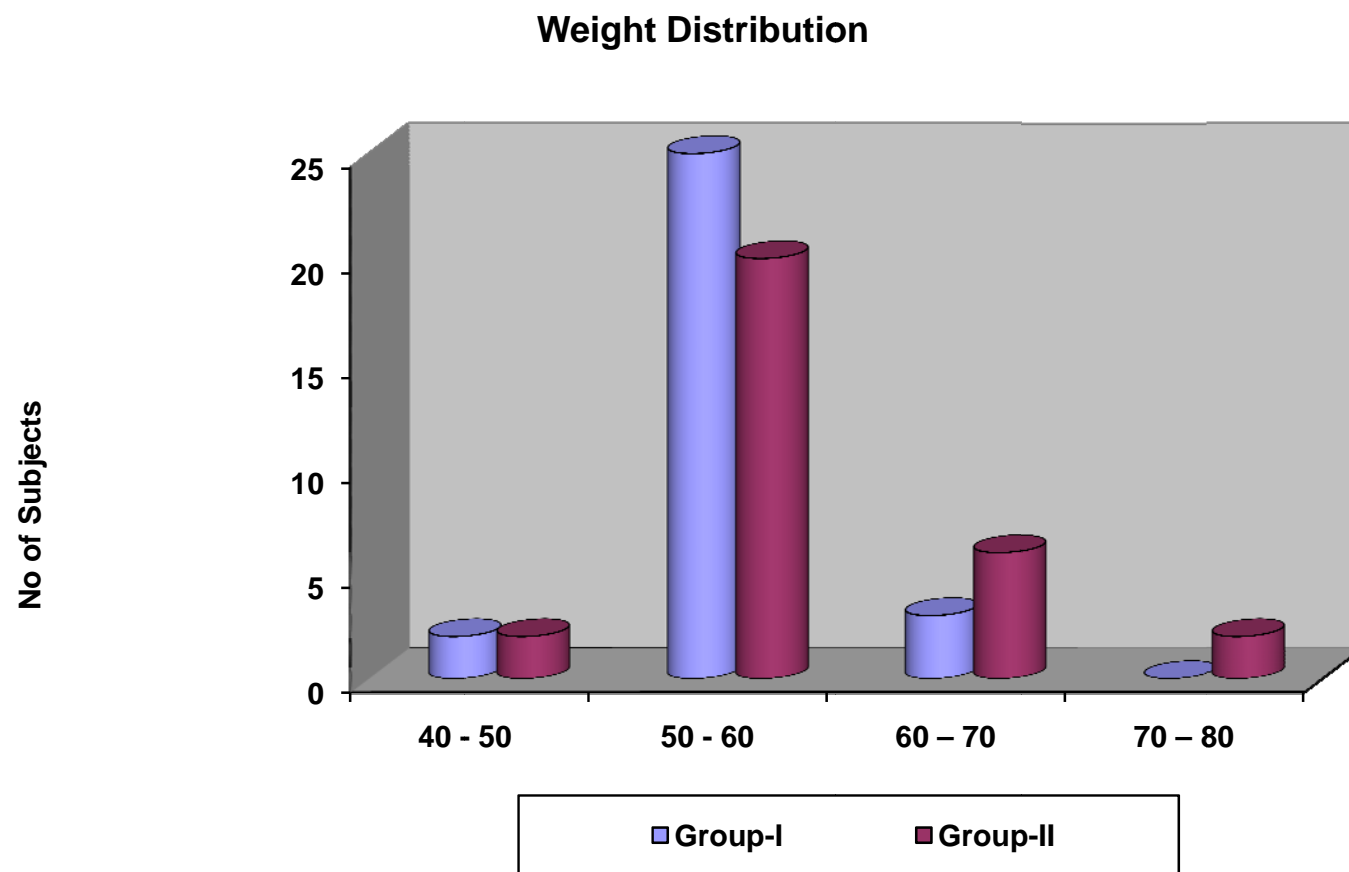
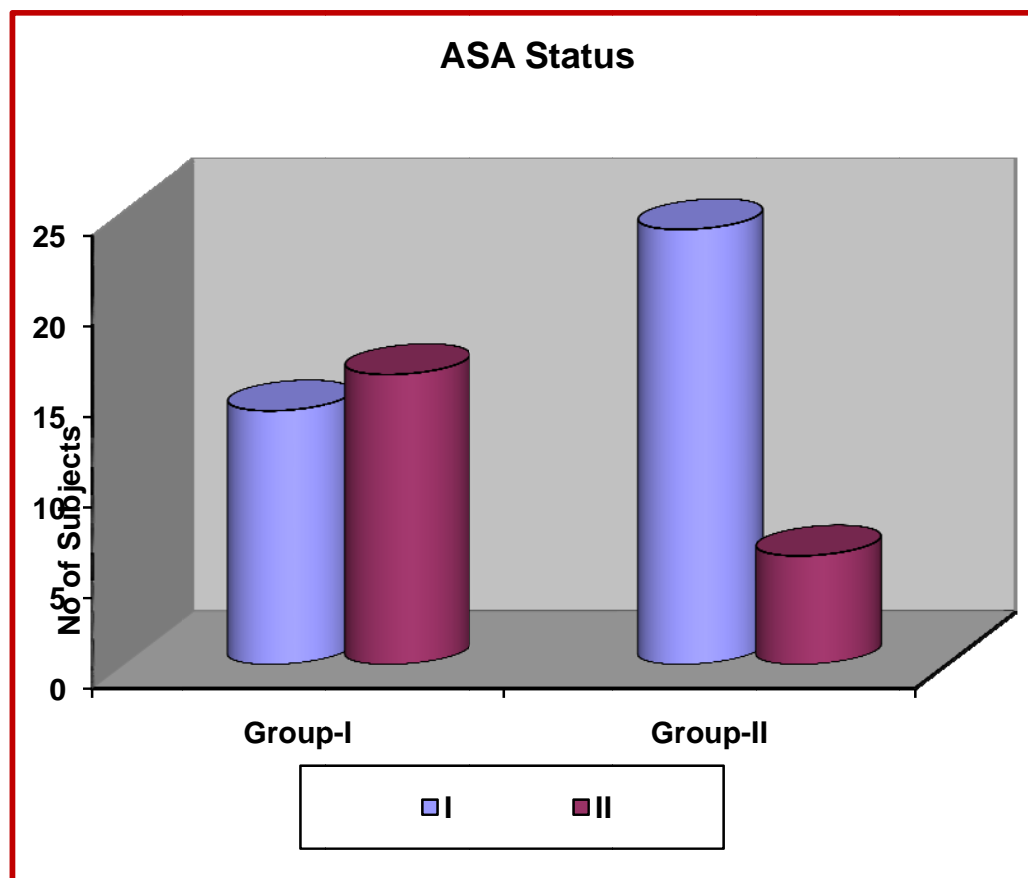


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ASA STATUS

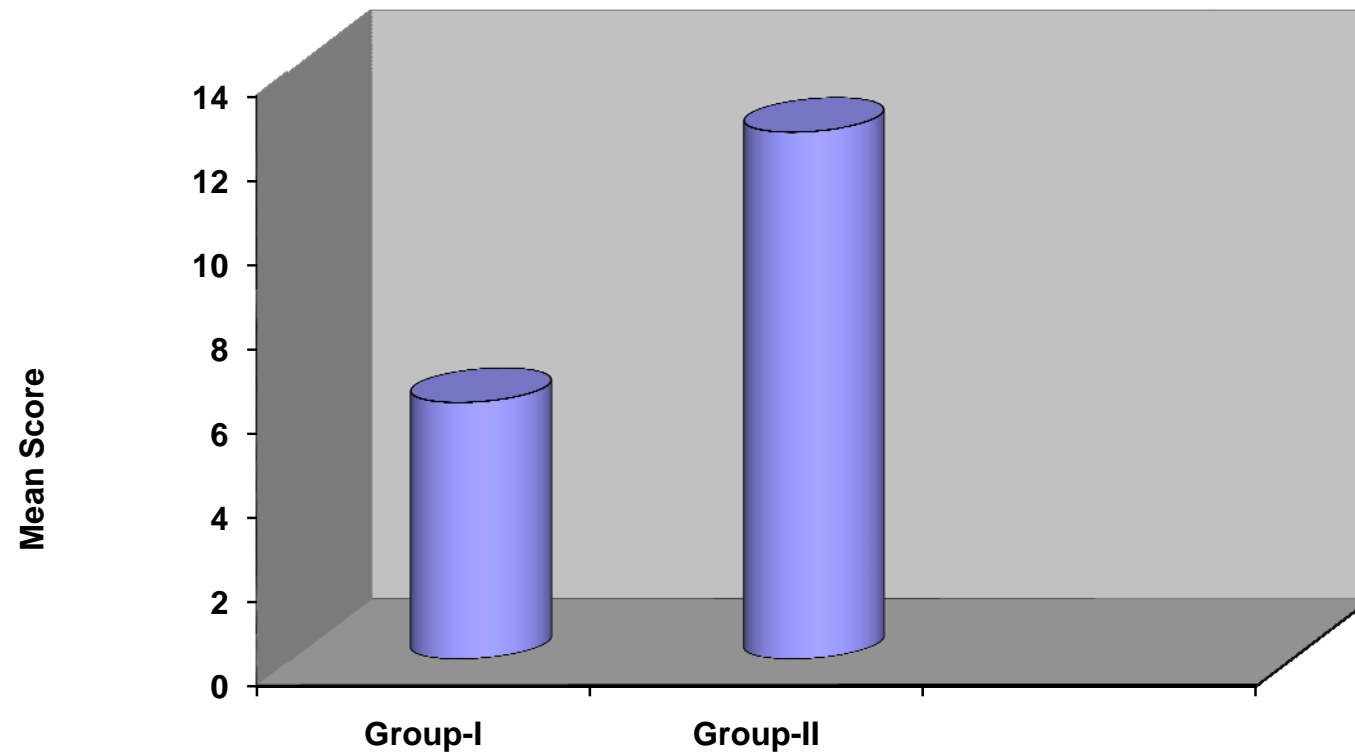
ASA	Group-I		Group-II		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
I	14	46.67	24	80.00	38	63.33
II	16	53.33	6	20.00	22	36.67
Total	30	100	30	100	60	100
p-value	0.007 (Significant)					



ONSET OF ANALGESIA:**Table-5****Onset Drug**

	Group-I	Group-II
Mean \pm sd	6.10 \pm 1.27	12.53 \pm 2.08
Range	5 - 10	9 - 15
p-value	0.000 (Significant)	

The mean onset of analgesia was 6.10(min) in group-I and 12.53(min) in group-II. It was statistically significant with a p value of 0.001.

ONSET OF ANALGESIA:

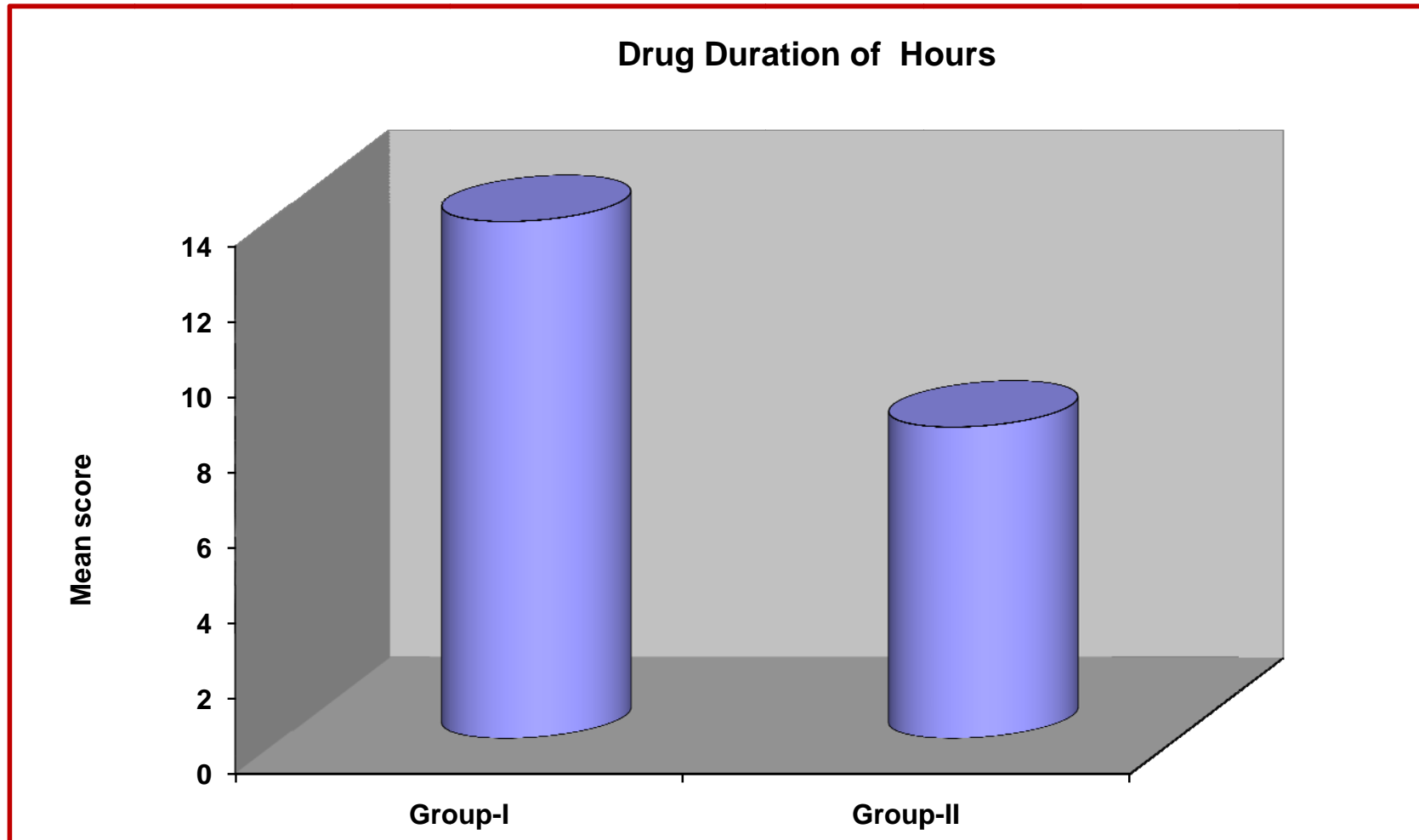
The drug duration of hours:

The mean duration of analgesia was 13.73(hrs) in group-I and 8.27(hrs) in group –II.

Table-6

Drug Duration of Hours

	Group-I	Group-II
Mean ± sd	13.73 ± 3.10	8.27 ± 1.08
Range	6 - 18	6 - 10
p-value	0.000 (Significant)	



VAS SCORE:

The median VAS score was 1 in group-I upto the mean duration of 13.73hrs and 1 in group-II upto the mean duration of 8.27 hrs as shown in table-7.

SEDATION SCORE:

The median sedation score was 2 in group II upto the mean duration of 13.73hours and the mediann sedation score was 2 in group I upto the mean duration of 8.27 hours. It is comparable between the two groups.

Table -7
Visual Analog Scale (Median)

Time	Group-I Median	Group-II Median
0 Min	3.00	4.00
15 Min	1.00	1.00
30 Min	1.00	1.00
1 hour	1.00	1.00
2 hour	1.00	1.00
4 hour	1.00	1.00
6 hour	1.00	1.00
8 hour	1.00	1.00
12 hour	1.00	3.00
16 hour	3.00	3.00
20 hour	3.00	2.00
24 hour	3.00	2.00

Haemodynamic variables:

The haemodynamic variables like heart rate, systolic blood pressure, diastolic blood pressure and mean blood pressures are comparable between the two groups.

Table-8

Heart rate:

Time	Group-I Mean	SD	Group-II Mean	SD-II	P-value
Base Line	83.33	6.42	76.67	14.85	0.03
0 Min	89.20	5.16	87.93	9.48	0.52
15 Min	79.10	5.93	78.07	5.50	0.49
30 Min	77.17	5.29	75.87	4.79	0.32
1 hour	77.00	4.72	77.00	4.53	1.00
2 hour	75.70	5.44	76.33	4.33	0.62
4 hour	77.40	5.09	76.03	3.93	0.25
6 hour	76.97	5.79	74.57	3.36	0.05
8 hour	77.33	6.69	79.60	6.19	0.18
12 hour	80.27	7.79	89.03	8.12	0.000

16 hour	87.40	7.74	90.97	10.50	0.14
20 hour	85.80	9.02	89.33	10.37	0.16
24 hour	84.73	10.55	81.23	9.25	0.18

Table-9**Systolic blood pressure:**

Time	Group-I Mean	Group-I SD	Group-II Mean	Group-II Sd	P-value
Base Line	125.60	12.22	124.27	10.94	0.66
0 Min	130.87	7.50	127.80	08.40	0.14
15 Min	120.73	7.27	118.60	6.26	0.23
30 Min	116.00	7.28	115.00	5.40	0.55
1 hour	113.67	5.87	113.07	4.03	0.65
2 hour	112.13	5.87	112.67	05.62	0.96
4 hour	111.50	4.97	110.73	3.91	0.51
6 hour	111.27	0.42	110.47	2.56	0.41
8 hour	110.47	4.51	116.67	08.70	0.0001

12 hour	113.67	8.66	126.50	9.41	0.000
16 hour	120.73	8.15	123.87	9.57	0.18
20 hour	122.27	9.55	124.17	8.17	0.41
24 hour	119.87	8.37	121.00	8.45	0.60

Table-10
Diastolic Blood Pressure

Time	Group-I Mean	Group-I SD	Group-II Mean	Group-II SD	P-value
Base Line	78.07	9.15	77.13	7.89	0.67
0 Min	86.93	6.72	86.13	6.52	0.64
15 Min	78.33	5.07	76.67	5.95	0.25
30 Min	76.73	4.28	74.80	4.44	0.09
1 hour	75.27	4.41	73.20	4.16	0.07
2 hour	74.67	3.12	72.80	3.18	0.03
4 hour	73.40	3.41	72.43	3.13	0.26
6 hour	73.13	4.16	72.40	2.70	0.42
8 hour	73.23	3.82	74.87	6.14	0.22
12 hour	73.93	5.620	84.13	7.72	0.000

16 hour	79.97	6.92	858.93	7.36	0.002
20 hour	81.77	5.68	81.73	5.89	0.98
24 hour	79.30	5.68	78.80	5.52	0.73

Table-11**MEAN BLOOD PRESSURE**

Time	Group-I Mean	Group-I sd	Group-II Mean	Group-II sd	P-value
Base Line	93.77	8.67	92.83	7.93	0.67*
0 Min	101.60	5.69	99.97	6.12	0.28*
15 Min	92.40	4.66	90.60	5.41	0.17*
30 Min	89.80	4.16	88.20	3.96	0.13*
1 hour	87.97	4.89	86.47	3.63	0.14*
2 hour	87.17	3.40	85.93	85.93	0.14*
4 hour	86.17	3.24	85.13	2.92	0.20*
6 hour	85.90	3.60	85.07	2.42	0.30*
8 hour	85.63	3.62	88.73	6.09	0.02
12 hour	87.23	5.78	98.23	6.40	0.000
16 hour	93.60	6.09	98.53	6.16	0.003
20 hour	95.20	5.13	95.93	4.34	0.55*
24 hour	92.87	4.97	92.83	5.24	0.98*

Table - 12**Incidence Of Complications**

	Group-I		Group-II		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
No complication	29	96.67	30	100	59	98.33
PRU	1	3.33	-	-	1	1.67
p- value	0.31 (Not Significant)					

Table-13**Rescue Analgesic Requirements**

Time	Group-I		Group-II		P-value
	Not Required	Required	Not Required	Required	
2 hour	30	-	30	-	-
4 hour	30	-	30	-	-
6 hour	29	1	21	9	0.05
8 hour	26	4	0	30	0.001
12 hour	10	20	1	29	0.003
16 hour	1	29	2	28	0.55
20 hour	2	28	4	26	0.39
24 hour	14	16	21	09	0.07

DISCUSSION

The primary aim of the study was to evaluate the effect of adding low dose epidural ketamine with bupivacaine and morphine for post operative analgesia after major abdominal surgeries.

Our study population was around 60 patients of ASA I&II .We added ketamine 0.2mg/kg to morphine 0.05mg/kg in 12ml of 0.125% bupivacaine in one group versus morphine 0.05mg/kg in 0.125% of bupivacaine in the other group epidurally for post operative analgesia.We monitored the patients for 24 hrs from 0 min,15 min,30min,1 hrs,2hrs,4hrs,6hrs,8hrs,12hrs,16hrs,20hrs and 24 hrs.

Onset and duration of analgesia:

- The addition of low dose epidural ketamine to morphine accelerates the onset and the duration of analgesia results in effective postoperative analgesia.This correlates well with the previous studies done by Mamta sethi et al,Subramaniam et al and Wong CS et al. The mean time of onset of analgesia was 6.10(min) in group I& 12.53(min) in group II.The mean duration of analgesia was 13.73(hrs) for group_I and 8.27(hrs) for group-II.

- Mamta sethi et al studied the effect of adding low dose epidural ketamine to epidural morphine for post operative analgesia in 100 patients and this was done in PCEA (patient control epidural analgesia). They used a continuous infusion of 0.0625% bupivacaine ,morphine and ketamine for one group and 0.0625% bupivacaine and morphine for one group, and the patients were monitored for 48hrs and they calculated mean morphine consumption in each group for 48 hrs.But in our study we used a bolus of 0.125% bupivacaine,morphine and ketamine for one group &0.125% bupivacaine and morphine for one group and the patients were monitored for 24 hrs.Our primary outcomes like shorter onset and prolonged duration strongly correlates with the study conduted by Subramaniam et al.In their study they evaluated the effficacy of combination of epidural ketamine with epidural morphine in accelerating onset and duration of analgesia and strongly correlates with our study.

Stable haemodynamics:

- Our secondary outcomes like stable hemodynamics, reduced rescue analgesic requirement, less incidence of opioid related side effects etc., correlates well with other studies conducted by Ching Yue Yang et al,Wong CS et al,Lawretti et al and Yoko Kawana et al Arati et al.

- In the study conducted by Wong CS et al they concluded that ketamine though not an epidural anaesthetic agent ,it potentiates the analgesic effect of morphine when administered along with it ,without altering haemodynamics and an increase in the incidence of side effects.This strongly supports our study.
- In the study conduted by Yokokawana et al they concluded that ketamine alone administered was inadequate for pain relief.
- In the study conducted by Elshobary et al they evaluated the side effects between morphine group and ketamine group. Then concluded When compared to morphine group ketamine group experienced less side effects.This strongly correlates with our study.
- In the study conducted by Arati et al ,they concluded that the synergestic effect of combining morphine with ketamine epidurally provided good analgesia,early mobilization with less side effects.This strongly correlated with our study.
- In the study conduted by Ravat et al they concluded that ketamine alone is insufficient when administered epidurally ,even it procuced less side effects. It also supports our study.

SUMMARY

We conducted a randomised double blinded study in a group of 60 patients belonging to ASA I & II undergoing elective abdominal surgeries to evaluate the effect of adding low dose epidural ketamine to epidural bupivacaine and morphine. Two groups of 30 each were randomly taken and analysed. The summary of our study are

- The two groups were comparable in terms of demographic profile such as age, sex, weight and height.
- The mean time of onset of analgesia was 6.10(min) in group-I versus 12.53 in group-II. It was statistically significant with a P value of 0.001.
- The mean duration of analgesia was 13.73(hrs) in group-I versus 8.27(hrs) in group-II. It was statistically significant with a P value of 0.001.
- The median VAS score was 1 in group-I upto the mean duration of 13.73hrs and was 1 in group –II upto the mean duration of 8.27hrs. ,and is comparable between two groups.

- The haemodynamic variables like heart rate, systolic, diastolic and mean blood pressures were comparable between the two groups.

The incidence of morphine induced side effects and rescue analgesic requirement were less in group-I than group-II. Also none of the patients experienced ketamine related side effects

CONCLUSION

We conclude that the addition of low dose (0.2mg/kg)epidural ketamine with bupivacaine and morphine accelerates the onset and duration of analgesia resulting in effective post operative analgesia in patients undergoing major abdominal surgeries without an increase in the incidence of side effects.

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s.no	name	age	sex	weight	diagnosis	surgery	ASA	GROUP	DUR. SX	DRUG	TIME ADM	ONSET	DURATION-HRS	HEART RATE													
														HR-BL	HR-0	HR-15min	HR-30min	HR-1	HR-2	HR-4	HR-6	HR-8	HR-12	HR-16	HR-20	HR-24	
1	kandan	65	1	60	choledocholithiasis	open chole+CBD exp	2	1	120	10	5	12	90	88	85	78	76	74	80	84	82	90	92	94	92		
2	malar	55	2	65	incisional hernia	mesh repair	1	1	120	60	7	11	88	88	81	82	78	83	88	82	84	90	84	90	92		
3	ellammal	27	2	60	incisional hernia	abdominoplasty	1	1	150	90	5	16	88	86	82	83	76	74	78	80	78	76	80	88	92		
4	venkatesan	44	1	60	incisional hernia	mesh repair	1	1	180	30	7	18	84	80	77	74	78	80	82	76	78	82	77	92	88		
5	chinnadurai	38	1	60	renal cyst	nephrectomy	2	1	150	30	8	6	88	94	86	84	82	80	82	95	78	74	76	86	84		
6	kokilammal	65	2	58	cholelithiasis	open chole	2	1	140	60	7	13	84	88	84	78	68	64	70	72	68	70	84	74	78		
7	kalaimohan	43	1	60	chr.calc.pancreatitis	frey's procedure	2	1	300	30	6	16	74	80	73	72	70	66	76	72	74	76	92	82	78		
8	mohan	56	1	58	ileocae.stric/postilstmy	ileostomy closure	2	1	150	20	6	15	78	90	74	72	76	74	80	74	78	80	88	78	86		
9	kumarasamy	42	1	56	GOO	GOO	2	1	120	20	5	15	90	98	90	88	84	88	86	78	78	77	94	82	84		
10	kalimuthammal	52	2	45	GOO	lap TV,GJ &JJ	2	1	150	90	5	11	90	92	76	74	72	86	74	78	80	91	80	78	74		
11	sakkarapani	45	1	54	cholelithiasis	openchole'c.duodenostomy	2	1	180	60	7	16	82	88	74	72	73	76	74	76	80	78	102	88	90		
12	muniyammal	60	2	50	cholelithiasis	open chole	2	1	90	10	5	13	84	88	77	78	75	72	82	84	86	78	88	80	79		
13	mathiazhagan	45	1	58	hydatid cyst-liver	lap and proceed	2	1	75	20	5	17	88	90	76	78	82	78	84	76	74	82	80	90	92		
14	susan	45	2	61	cholelithiasis	open chole	2	1	90	30	5	18	88	78	70	73	74	76	72	74	76	72	76	90	70		
15	syed fathima	56	2	55	cholelithiasis	open chole	2	1	120	45	6	15	78	90	76	74	88	72	76	71	75	78	106	88	72		
16	malliga	35	2	58	pseudocyst-pancreas	cystogasterostomy	1	1	180	75	10	17	102	90	76	82	76	74	75	82	82	77	96	80	84		
17	vadivel	50	2	54	GOO	lap TV,GJ &JJ	1	1	150	90	6	14	82	92	88	86	73	74	76	74	80	79	86	88	74		
18	kanchana	32	2	60	GOO	lap TV,GJ &JJ	2	1	180	60	8	17	92	82	68	64	74	76	78	77	75	81	82	83	94		
19	subramani	50	1	62	GOO	lap TV,GJ &JJ	2	1	180	60	5	14	80	90	84	82	86	80	78	76	80	82	86	78	90		
20	rajathi	34	2	52	GOO	lap TV,GJ &JJ	2	1	120	90	5	15	82	88	86	80	78	74	78	80	73	76	88	86	72		
21	raja eswaraiya	39	1	58	pseudocyst-pancreas	cystogasterostomy	1	1	180	75	8	13	84	90	84	78	82	80	74	76	72	78	84	90	112		
22	nagappan	54	1	60	incisional hernia	mesh repair	1	1	150	45	6	18	80	90	82	80	76	78	74	71	72	90	80	74	90		
23	venkatammal	55	2	58	cholelithiasis	open chole	1	1	180	60	5	13	82	88	78	74	80	71	68	64	78	71	90	96	71		
24	rathinam	64	1	54	post GJ status	roux-en-y	2	1	150	30	6	12	80	96	76	78	74	72	68	73	71	91	92	75	78		
25	amudha	37	2	55	chr.calc.pancreatitis	frey's procedure	1	1	240	40	7	14	74	90	74	72	80	82	86	82	70	75	90	76	104		
26	mani	44	1	60	incisional hernia	mesh repair	1	1	150	40	5	12	74	90	78	72	70	69	75	72	70	76	90	92	74		
27	veerappan	43	1	58	hydatid cyst-liver	lap and proceed	1	1	120	60	6	15	78	86	74	71	80	81	76	75	71	73	87	92	102		
28	gowri	33	2	54	cholelithiasis	open chole	1	1	120	60	5	10	72	92	78	74	73	71	80	82	68	93	102	116	76		
29	selvi	40	2	56	incisional hernia	abdominoplasty	1	1	180	30	7	9	84	104	92	80	78	74	80	82	99	70	92	96	78		
30	gomathi	42	2	58	incisional hernia,appen	abdominoplasty,appen	1	1	135	20	5	7	80	90	74	82	78	72	72	71	90	102	78	72	92		
31	jahida	40	2	54	inci-her¶umbli-her	ana-repair	1	2	160	15	10	10	88	90	82	77	86	78	80	83	81	82	106	92	80		
32	palani	55	1	60	ben-pancr-tumour	whipple'procedure	2	2	270	15	15	9	64	84	68	70	71	72	80	75	76	99	87	88	90		
33	selvi	50	2	65	incisional hernia	ana-repair	1	2	180	60	9	8	90	112	82	86	81	77	78	74	78	82	86	90	76		
34	vanitha	19	2	45	ben-ova-tumour	exp-laparotomy	1	2	90	120	10	10	90	86	84	77	71	74	78	75	76	81	92	100	74		
35	kasthuri	35	2	48	jeju-intussuception	lap& proceed	1	2	210	30	12	8	74	94	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	103	80	90	92		
36	kulanjinathan	50	1	60	GOO	lap TV,GJ &JJ	1	2	185	30	12	7	74	96	90	78	80	74	72	70	91	90	112	80	78		
37	paulraj	33	1	60	pseudocyst-pancreas	cystogasterostomy	1	2	155	25	15	7	88	90	78	70	74	73	72	70	80	88	104	84	78		
38	jayalakshmi	50	1	61	hypo-gast-mass&inci-her	TAH,BSO,anat-repair	1	2	200	40	10	9	90	94	82	80	81	78	76	80	81	91	78	90	93		
39	mariyammal	60	2	80	inci-her&ventral-her	anat-repair	2	2	100	20	10	8	78	98	77	70	71	72	83	70	74	99	120	90	87		
40	ramasamy	32	1	56	goo	lap TV,GJ &JJ	2	2	190	120	10	9	9	80	72	78	71	72	74	76	74	88	90	76	76		
41	sivamani	56	2	58	GOO	lap TV,GJ &JJ	2	2	175	50	15	8	72	92	74	76	78	80	82	72	77	82	85	90	88		
42	chinnasamy	25	1	58	cholelithiasis	open chole	1	2	160	120	12	7	90	98	81	82	86	84	83	77	91	92	88	74	71		
43	indhirani	41	2	54	cholelithiasis	open chole	1	2	135	45	14	9	80	81	77	75	78	80	72	71	76	80	96	118	78		
44	krishnaveni	58	2	57	incisional hernia	anat-repair	1	2	170	90	15	8	78	86	74	74	77	72	72	71	74	80	92	88	82		
45	mary	54	2	72	cholelithiasis	open chole	2	2	130	70	10	8	80	78	75	72	80	82	75	77	72	90	74	73	88		
46	harilakshmi	50	2	58	ben-ova-tumour	lap& proceed	1	2	120	45	13	9	80	88	77	76	77	74	80	71	72	90	88	74	72		
47	sheik	24	1	56	pseudocyst-pancreas	cystogasterostomy	1	2	180	30	15	8	76	88	74	76	78	75	76	74	76	90	91	87	75		
48	adhiyammal	51	2	58	choledocholithiasis	CBD-exp,duo-jujunostomy	1	2	190	40	13	9	74	80	78	71	76	70	72	75	77	87	89	98	72		
49	anandhi	38	2	54	chr.calc.pancreatitis	frey's procedure	1	2	240	60	13	10	82	88	76	77	75	74	71	72	73	74	106	102	77		
50	kamatchi	40	2	58	cholelithiasis	open chole	1	2	150	25	14	8	72	71	80	80	77	74	70	74	75	95	96	76	112		
51	murugan	40	1	61	hydatid cyst-liver	lap& proceed	1	2	100	40	15	6	80	82	72	70	72	71	73	74	86	90	9				

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SYSTOLIC BLOOD PRESSURE													DIASTOLIC BLOOD PRESSURE																
SBP-BL	SBP-0	SBP-15m	SBP-30	SBP-1	SBP-2	SBP4	SBP-6	SBP-8	SBP-12	SBP-16	SBP-20	SBP-24	DBP-BL	DBP-0M	DBP-15M	DBP-30M	DBP-1	DBP-2	DBP-4	DBP-6	DBP-8	DBP-12	DBP-16	DBP-20	DBP-24	MBP-BL	MBP-0M	MBP-15M	MBP-30M
140	142	130	124	124	128	126	120	112	110	124	130	130	74	90	80	80	80	80	78	82	80	78	92	84	82	96	107	97	95
130	136	110	104	110	112	120	124	120	130	132	128	126	80	88	86	82	76	76	72	72	80	84	84	88	90	97	104	94	89
130	132	128	122	122	120	120	118	110	112	118	122	130	70	74	72	70	68	70	72	70	72	68	70	80	82	90	93	91	87
120	130	128	126	120	118	110	114	110	112	118	126	124	80	86	82	80	80	78	74	74	76	74	74	80	82	93	101	97	95
124	120	118	116	118	110	108	108	112	120	126	112	120	84	88	84	84	82	78	70	72	75	82	80	72	68	97	99	95	95
114	120	110	106	104	110	112	114	110	106	134	110	112	72	80	70	68	70	70	70	72	70	72	74	72	76	86	93	83	81
140	130	120	120	118	118	112	114	112	110	124	130	124	74	80	78	78	76	76	74	78	76	78	78	72	80	96	97	92	92
124	130	124	114	110	106	110	110	106	104	112	116	126	82	90	70	70	68	70	70	72	70	72	80	78	84	96	103	88	85
96	120	110	106	102	102	106	108	106	108	120	110	112	64	90	70	72	68	72	64	66	70	70	78	74	76	75	100	83	83
140	130	122	118	118	114	110	108	110	132	124	122	118	82	100	82	84	82	76	78	76	78	82	86	83	78	101	110	95	95
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130	136	120	112	110	112	110	112	110	112	110	134	120	74	82	80	76	76	80	76	74	72	70	72	86	74	93	100	93	88
132	128	122	110	112	110	112	114	110	112	116	132	120	88	84	82	78	78	76	74	76	72	78	76	84	82	103	99	95	89
142	136	124	110	112	110	110	112	110	108	124	124	110	80	90	76	76	78	74	68	70	70	72	82	78	82	101	105	92	87
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